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Ms. Laura A. Brust
American Chemistry Council
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RE: Freedom of Information Act Request EPA-HQ-2016-002218

Dear Ms. Brust:

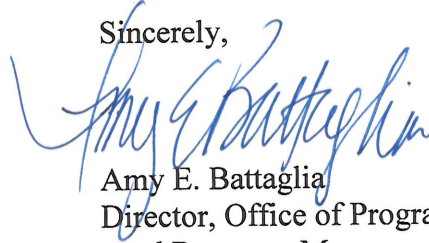
This letter is in response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, identified above, dated December 18, 2015 requesting copies of records related to: (1) Workshop on Epigenetics and Cumulative Risk Assessment, held on September 2-3, 2015; and (2) Advancing Systematic Review Workshop, held on December 16-17, 2015.

The National Center for Environmental Assessment (NCEA) in the Office of Research and Development (ORD) was assigned to respond to your request. The records responsive to your request are being provided to you are included with this letter and are also described in the enclosed Index of Releasable Records (Excel spreadsheets "Index of documents responsive to EPA-HQ-2016-002218.xlsx." Some information in some of these documents have been redacted by virtue of FOIA 5 U.S.C § 552(b)(5) Exemption 5: Deliberative Process Privilege, Attorney-Client Privilege, Attorney Work Product and FOIA 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(6) Exemption 6: Personally Identifiable Information. In addition, some of these documents are being withheld in full by virtue of FOIA 5 U.S.C § 552(b)(5) Exemption 5: Deliberative Process Privilege, Attorney-Client Privilege, Attorney Work Product. This completes ORD's response to your request.

You may appeal this response to the National Freedom of Information Office, U. S. EPA, FOIA and Privacy Branch, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW (2822T), Washington, DC 20460 (U. S. Postal Service Only), FAX: (202) 566-2147, E-mail: hq.foia@epa.gov or via FOIA online: <https://foiaonline.regulations.gov/foia/action/public/home>. Only items mailed through the U. S. Postal Service may be delivered to 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW. If you are submitting your appeal via hand delivery, courier service or overnight delivery, you must address your correspondence to 1301 Constitution Avenue, NW, Room 6416J, Washington DC 20004. Your appeal must be in writing and submitted no later than 30 calendar days from the date of this letter. The Agency will not consider appeals received after the 30 calendar day limit. The appeal letter should include the case number stated above. For quickest possible handling, the appeal letter and its envelope should be marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal."

If you have any questions concerning this response, please contact Dr. Chris Saint (ORD/NCEA) at (703) 347-0317.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Amy E. Battaglia", is written over the printed name.

Amy E. Battaglia
Director, Office of Program Accountability
and Resource Management